Chapter 8.0
Personnel Training

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8.0 PERSONNEL TRAINING [H]

- 2 This chapter discusses personnel training requirements based on Washington Administrative
- 3 Code (WAC) 173-303 and the Dangerous Waste Portion of the Resource Conservation and
- 4 Recovery Act Permit for the Treatment, Storage, and Disposal of Dangerous Waste (Ecology
- 5 1994a). In accordance with WAC 173-303-806(4)(a)(xii), the Hanford Facility Dangerous
- 6 Waste Part B Permit Application must contain two items:

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- 1 "An outline of both the introductory and continuing training programs by owners or operators to prepare persons to operate or maintain the TSD facility in a safe manner as required to demonstrate compliance with WAC 173-303-330"
- 11 2 "A brief description of how training will be designed to meet actual job tasks in accordance with the requirements in WAC 173-303-330(1)(d)"

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- 14 The Hanford Facility RCRA Permit (Dangerous Waste [DW] portion)(Ecology 1994a),
- 15 Condition II.C (personnel training) contains training requirements applicable to Hanford Facility personnel and non-facility personnel.

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- 18 Compliance with these requirements at the River Protection Project Waste Treatment Plant
- 19 (WTP) is demonstrated by information contained in both Chapter 8.0 of the *Hanford Facility*
- 20 Dangerous Waste Permit Application, General Information Portion (DOE-RL 1998),
- Attachment 33 of the Hanford Facility RCRA Permit (DW Portion), and this chapter. This chapter supplements Chapter 8.0 of DOE/RL-91-28.

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8.1 OUTLINE OF INTRODUCTORY AND CONTINUING TRAINING PROGRAMS

- 25 The introductory and continuing training programs are designed to prepare personnel during the
- operations phase, to manage and maintain the WTP in a safe, effective, and environmentally
- sound manner. In addition to preparing personnel to manage and maintain the WTP under
- 28 normal conditions, the training programs ensure that personnel are prepared to respond in a
- 29 prompt and effective manner should abnormal or emergency conditions occur. Emergency
- response training is consistent with the description of actions contained in Chapter 7.0,
- Contingency Plan. The introductory and continuing training programs contain the following objectives:

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- Teach WTP personnel to perform their duties in a way that ensures the WTP's compliance with WAC 173-303
- Teach WTP personnel dangerous waste management procedures (including implementation of the contingency plan) relevant to the job titles and positions in which they are employed
 - Ensure that WTP personnel can respond effectively to emergencies

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8.1.1 Introductory Training

- 41 Introductory training includes general Hanford Facility training and WTP-specific training.
- 42 General Hanford Facility training is described in DOE/RL-91-28, Section 8.1, and provided in
- accordance with the Hanford Facility RCRA Permit (DW Portion), Condition II.C.2. WTP-

specific training is provided to WTP personnel allowing personnel to work unescorted, and in some cases is required for escorted access. WTP personnel cannot perform a task for which they are not properly trained, except to gain required experience while under the direct supervision of a supervisor or coworker who is properly trained. WTP personnel must be trained within six months after their employment at or assignment to the WTP. If personnel are assigned to a new job title or position at the WTP, any additional position-specific training must be completed within six months.

General Hanford Facility training: Refer to description in DOE/RL-91-28, Section 8.1.

Contingency plan training: WTP personnel receive training on applicable portions of the *Hanford Emergency Management Plan* (DOE-RL 1999)(Attachment 4 of the Hanford Facility RCRA Permit [DW Portion]) in General Hanford Facility training. In addition, WTP personnel receive training on the description of actions contained in the Contingency Plan documentation in Chapter 7.0 and Appendix 7A of this permit application, to be able to effectively respond to emergencies at the WTP.

Emergency coordinator training: WTP personnel who perform emergency coordinator duties as specified in WAC 173-303-360 (for example, the Building Emergency Director) in the Hanford Incident Command System receive training on implementation of the Contingency Plan and fulfilling the position within the Hanford Incident Command System. These WTP personnel must also become thoroughly familiar with applicable Contingency Plan documentation, operations, activities, location, and properties of waste handled, location of records, and the unit and building layout.

Operations training: Dangerous waste management operations training (for example, waste designation training, shippers training) will be determined on a unit-by-unit basis, and shall consider the type of waste management unit and the type of activities performed at the waste management unit. For example, training provided for management of dangerous waste in containers will be different than the training provided for management of dangerous waste in a tank system. Common training required for compliance within similar waste management units can be provided in general training, and supplemented at the WTP. Training provided for WTP-specific operations will be identified in the training plan documentation, and will be based on:

- Whether a general training course exists
- The training needs to ensure waste management unit compliance with WAC 173-303
- Training commitments agreed to with the Washington State Department of Ecology

8.1.2 Continuing Training

Continuing training meets the requirements for WAC 173-303-330(1)(b) and includes General Hanford Facility training and WTP-specific training.

43 <u>General Hanford Facility training:</u> Annual refresher training is provided for General Hanford Facility training. Refer to description in DOE/RL-91-28, Section 8.1.

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<u>Contingency plan training:</u> Annual refresher training is provided for contingency plan training.

3 Refer to description above in Section 8.1.1.

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<u>Emergency coordinator training:</u> Annual refresher training is provided for emergency coordinator training. Refer to description above in Section 8.1.1.

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Operations training: Refresher training occurs on various frequencies for operations training (that is, annual, every other year, every three years). When justified, some training will not contain a refresher course and will be identified as a one-time-only training course. The WTP training plan documentation will specify the frequency for each training course. Refer to description above in Section 8.1.1.

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8.2 DESCRIPTION OF TRAINING DESIGN

A properly designed training program ensures that personnel who perform duties at the WTP related to WAC 173-303-330(1)(d) are trained to perform their duties in compliance with WAC 173-303. Actual job tasks, referred to as duties, are used to determine training requirements.

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- The first step taken to ensure that WTP personnel have received the proper training is to determine and document the waste management duties by job title/position.
- In the second step, waste management duties are compared to the general waste management unit training curriculum. If the general waste management unit training curriculum does not address the waste management duties, the training curriculum is supplemented and/or on-the-job training is provided.
- The third step summarizes the content of a training course necessary to ensure that the training addresses the appropriate waste management duties.
- The fourth and last step is to assign training curriculum to WTP personnel based on their job title/position. The training plan documentation contains this process.

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Waste management duties include those specified in Section 8.1, as well as those contained in WAC 173-303-330(1)(d). Training elements of WAC 173-303-330(1)(d) applicable to WTP operations include the following:

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- Procedures for using, inspecting, repairing, and replacing emergency equipment and monitoring equipment
- Key parameters for automatic waste feed cut-off systems
- Communications or alarm systems
 - Response to fires or explosions
- Response to groundwater contamination incident
- Shutdown of operations

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WTP personnel who perform these duties receive training pertaining to their duties. The training 1

- 2 plan documentation described in Section 8.3 contains specific information regarding the types of
- 3 training WTP personnel receive based on the outline in Section 8.1.

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8.3 DESCRIPTION OF TRAINING PLAN

- 6 In accordance with Hanford Facility RCRA Permit (DW portion), Condition II.C.3, the unit-
- 7 specific portion of the Hanford Facility Dangerous Waste Permit Application must contain a
- description of the training plan. Training plan documentation is maintained outside of the 8
- Hanford Facility Dangerous Waste Part B Permit Application and the Hanford Facility RCRA 9
- 10 permit. Therefore, changes made to the training plan documentation are not subject to the
- Hanford Facility RCRA Permit modification process. However, the training plan documentation 11
- 12 is prepared to comply with WAC 173-303-330(2).

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- Documentation prepared to meet the training plan consists of hard copy and/or electronic media as provided by Hanford Facility RCRA Permit (DW portion), Condition II.C.1. The training plan documentation consists of one or more documents and/or a training database with the
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- components identified in the core document. 17

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A description of how training plan documentation meets the three items in WAC 173-303-330(2) is as follows:

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- -330(2)(a): "The job title, job description, and name of the employee filling each job. The job description must include requisite skills, education, other qualifications, and duties for each position."
- 24 Description: The specific WTP personnel job title and position is correlated to the waste 25 management duties. Waste management duties relating to WAC 173-303 are correlated to 26 27 training courses to ensure training is properly assigned.

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Only names of WTP personnel who perform duties relating to waste management operations at the WTP are required to be maintained. Names are maintained as described in the training plan documentation. A list of personnel assigned to the WTP is available upon request.

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34 35 Information on requisite skills, education, and other qualifications for job title and positions are addressed by providing a reference where this information is maintained (for example, Human Resources). Specific information concerning job title, requisite skills, education, and other qualifications for personnel can be provided upon request.

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- 38 -330(2)(b): "A written description of the type and amount of both introductory and continuing training required for each position." 39
- 40 <u>Description</u>: In addition to the outline provided in Section 8.1, training courses developed to comply with the introductory and continuing training programs are identified and described 41
- in the training plan documentation. The type and amount of training is specified in the 42
- training plan documentation. Table 8-1 is included as an example of a typical Training 43 44 Matrix that shows typical job/titles and positions matched to a training category.

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3 -330(2)(c): "Records documenting that personnel have received and completed the training required by this section. The Department may require, on a case-by-case basis, that training records include employee initials or signature to verify that training was received."
 4 Description: Training records are maintained consistent with DOE/RL-91-28, Section 8.4.

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 Table 8-1
 Typical WTP Training Matrix

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DOE/RL-96-28 Chapter 8 Training Category	General Hanford Facility Training	Contingency Plan Training	Emergency Coordinator Training	Operations Training				
WTP DWTP Implementing Category	Orientation Program	Emergency Management Plan	Emergency Coordinator Training	General Waste Mgmt	Container Mgmt	Tank System Mgmt	Containment Buildings Mgmt	Misc Unit Mgmt
Typical Job Title/Position								
Operators	X	X		X		X	X	X
Shift Operations Manager	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Hazardous Waste Operations (HWO) Manager	X	X		X	X	X	X	X
Operations Manager	X	X	X	X				
Environmental Compliance Officer	X			X				
Waste Service Provider	X			X	X			
Hazardous Waste Operators	X	X		X	X	X	X	X
Laboratory Technician –Hazardous Waste Operations (HWO)	X	X		X	X			
Laboratory Technician	X	X						
Laboratory Manager	X	X	X		X			

^aRefer to the WTP Dangerous Waste Training Plan for a complete description of coursework in each training category.

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